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Dear Sirs:

Epicentre Technologies, the owner of the above-identified patent and real party of interest, has indicated that U.S. Patent No. 6,596,494 is entitled to pay fees as a Large Entity. Large Entity status is hereby requested.

A Request for Entity Status Change was previously submitted concurrently with the payment of maintenance fees on January 07, 2011; however, this request was not processed by the Office and the maintenance fees were paid via EFT in the small entity amount.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the amount of \$1,240.00, being the difference between the large and small entity amounts for the 8 year maintenance fee; a large entity surcharge fee in the amount of \$130.00 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(h); and any additional fees that may be due on this patent, to Deposit Account 17-0055.

Respectfully submitted,

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